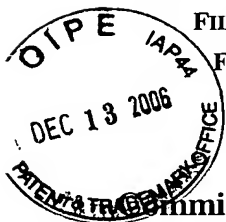


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: H. SHIRAI
SERIAL NO.: 10/705,230
FILED: Nov. 12, 2003
FOR: Hybrid-Vehicle Power Train

CONFIRMATION NO. 3553
GROUP ART UNIT: 3618
EXAMINER: F. B. Vanaman
ATTY. REFERENCE: SHIR3007/FJD



PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA. 22202-3514

Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for:

- ☒ One Month ☐ Three Months
☐ Two Months ☐ Four Months
☐ Five Months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the extension of time is \$ 120.

- ☒ Fee enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension of time to Deposit Account Number 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge fee to Deposit Account Number 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ Applicant is a **small entity** entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.
A verified small entity statement ☐ has been filed. ☐ is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

- ☒ Response ☐ Notice of Appeal ☐ Appeal Brief
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